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For: CONTINUOUS PROCESS FOR PREPARING CAPROLACTAM

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October 18, 2007

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated June 18, 2007, petition being hereby made for a one (1) month time extension up to and including October 18, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as noted in the following sections.

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.121, each section of the subject Amendment (e.g., Claim Amendments, Specification Amendments, Drawing Amendments and Remarks) as may be appropriate to the issues raised in the Official Action to which this paper responds, begins on a separate page. Changes to the original text, claims and the like are shown by striking through language to be deleted and underlining of language to be added.